Expenditure Incurred by FCI in procurement, distribution of Foodgrains

1982. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL:
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA :

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure incurred by the Food Corporation of India on wheat and rice procurement, distribution and carrying of buffer-stocks per quintal during the last three years, and the current year;

(b) what is the percentage of the cost of handling out of the procurement price during the above period; and

(c) whether Government propose to permit and encourage the private sector for the healthy competition in this sector to reduce expenditure and offer cheaper wheat and rice to the consumer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) The procurement incidentals incurred on procurement of wheat and rice, distribution cost, and the carrying cost of buffer-stocks, during the last three years and the current year are as under:—

Procurement charges

(*Rate Rs. per quintals*)

	1982-83 Rate	1983-84 Rate	1984-85(RE) Rate	1985-86 (BE) Rate
Wheat	24·28	24·17	28·09	28·11
Rice	9·94	11·11	17·57	17·57

Distribution/carrying cost

	Distribution Cost	Carrying Cost of Buffer Stocks
	Rate	Rate
1982-83	43·91	42·23
1983-84	46·87	40·71
1984-85 (RE)	48·34	48.82
1985-86 (BE)	49·18	44·82

(b) The percentages of the procurement charges and distribution cost to the procurement price are given for the above period as under:—

Rate Rs./per quinta

	1982-83		1983-84		1983-84 (BE)		1985-86 (BE)	
	Rate	%over proc. price	Rate	%over proc. price	Rate	%over proc. price	Rate	%over proc. price
(i) *Wheat (Indigenous)*								
Procurement price	142·00	100	151·00	100	152·00	100	157·00	100
Procurement charges.	24·28	17·09	24·17	16·00	28·09	18·48	28·11	17·90
Distribution Cost.	43·91	30·92	46·87	31·04	48·34	31·80	49·18	31·32
(ii) *Rice (Indigenous)*								
Average Procurement Price	209·55	100	226·07	100	238·61	100	238·61	10
Procurement Charges	9·94	4·74	11·11	4·91	17·57	7·36	17·57	7·36
Distribution Cost	43·91	20·95	46·37	20·73	48·34	20·25	49·18	20·61

(c) The trade of foodgrains is already in the Private Sector, However, Food Corporation of India issues foodgrains for distribution to Public Distribution System for making this available at reasonable prices to consumers, particularly to weaker section. The Government constantly monitors the performance of the Food Corporation of India with a view to bringing economy and efficiency in its operations.

Various poverty alleviation schemes of Integrated Rural Development Programme

1983. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL :
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have undertaken on sample basis evaluation of various poverty alleviation schemes of the Integrated Rurl Development Programme; and

(b) if so, what are the Statewise findings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) and (b) The Department of Rural Development has commissioned some studies for evaluating the Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP).

2. The Programme Evaluation Organisation (PEO) of the planning Commission has recently completed a study of IRDP. The study covered a sample of 1170 beneficiary households from 66 blocks in 33 districts spread over 16 States. The names of the States and districts are given